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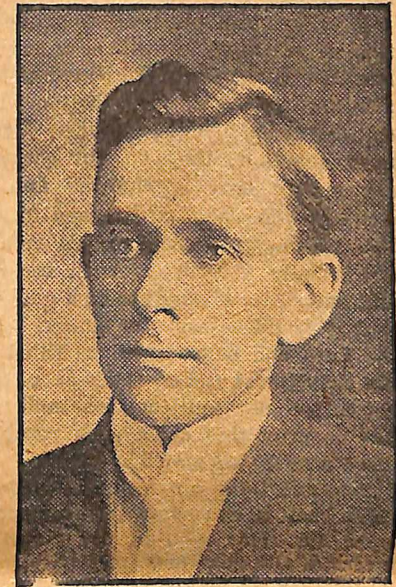
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SPECIAL "COME - TO - YEARLY - MEETING" EDITION

This is an imaginary picture of JOSEPH H. SMITH. We waited for the cut as long as possible.



Friends Church, Newberg, Oregon where Oregon Yearly Meeting will be held June 11-17, 1919



Rev. Fred E. Carter, Pastor of Newberg Church and Chairman of Evangelistic and Church Extension Work.

OREGON YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 11—

- 3:00 p. m.—Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.
- 8:00 p. m.—Special Meeting for Prayer.

Thursday, June 12—

- 8:00 a. m.—"School of the Prophets," conducted by Rev. Joseph H. Smith, Redlands, Cal.
- 10:00 a. m.—Opening of Yearly Meeting.
- 1:00 p. m.—Meeting of Representatives and Caretakers.
- 2:00 p. m.—Business Session.
- 2:30 p. m.—Report of Systematic and Proportionate Giving Department; Address by Rev. Fred E. Carter of Newberg.
- 3:15 p. m.—Report of Literary Department. Literary and Musical Program.
- 7:00 p. m.—Meeting of Permanent Board.
- 8:00 p. m.—Meeting for Worship.

Friday, June 13—

- 8:00 a. m.—"School of the Prophets."
- 10:00 a. m.—Business Session.
- 10:30 a. m.—Report of Foreign Missionary Department. Address:
- 2:00 p. m.—Business Session.
- 2:30 p. m.—Report of Evangelistic and Church Extension Department; Survey of the Field.
- 8:00 p. m.—Pacific College Corporation Meeting at Woodmar Hall.
- 8:00 p. m.—Meeting for worship.

Saturday, June 14—

- 8:00 a. m.—"School of the Prophets."
- 10:00 a. m.—Business Session.
- 10:30 a. m.—Reports of Peace and Arbitration and Service Departments; Address by Walter C. Woodward, editor of American Friend.
- 2:00 p. m.—Business Session.
- 2:30 p. m.—Report of Education Department; Address by Walter C. Woodward, of Richmond, Ind.
- 4:00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor Business Meeting.
- 8:00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor Rally—Business; Address by Rev. Chester A. Hadley.

Sunday, June 15—

- 8:00 a. m.—"School of the Prophets."
- 10:00 a. m.—Bible School.
- 11:00 a. m., 3:00 and 8:00 p. m.—Meetings for Worship.

Monday, June 16—

- 8:00 a. m.—"School of the Prophets."
- 10:00 a. m.—Business Session.
- 10:30 a. m.—Report of Bible Schools Department.
- 11:15 a. m.—Report of the Temperance Department.
- 2:00 p. m.—Business Session.
- 3:00 p. m.—Report of Social Service Department.
- 8:00 p. m.—Meeting for Worship.

Tuesday, June 17 (if necessary)—

- 8:00 a. m.—"School of the Prophets."
- 10:00 a. m.—Business Session.

IS YEARLY MEETING WORTH WHILE?

By Homer L. Cox

The question indicated above is no doubt now occupying the minds of many who will read these pages. Shall we, or shall we not, go to Yearly Meeting? How much will it cost us in time, money and energy? Will it pay? What will we get out of it?

In view of the program that you will find elsewhere in this issue we can feel reasonably safe in counting on at least four great features that will characterize the sessions this year.

First, we are planning to make it a time of salvation. It will be a sad commentary on the force and power of Godly men and women if, when the most influential Friends of Oregon Yearly Meeting meet together, they do not create an atmosphere that is charged and surcharged with spiritual life and blessing. The leading and most active members are usually present on such occasions, and that of itself ought to be a guarantee that it would be easy for sinners to find the Lord and believers to be filled with the Holy Ghost and all God's people present to feel new spiritual tone and vigor. Let us pray that some such results as these may be accomplished.

It would be a rare coincidence indeed if in such a concourse of people there were not some who in the storm and stress of the year have met with failure and defeat. It should be a prime concern with the whole church that such as these may hear such untentious, Holy Ghost preaching, meet such victorious triumphant lives and shining faces and hear such happy ringing testimonies, and be the recipients of such earnest prayers and whole-hearted sympathy that they may climb the Mount of Transfiguration, meet Christ, behold His glory, be made every whit whole and go back to their home fields strong to do and to dare. We are to have the leadership of men who know how to precipitate such blessings on the congregation to whom they minister. Under such auspicious circumstances, certainly we can expect a time of salvation.

Second, it will be a time of inspiration. As the various departments make their reports and speakers bring their messages there is no doubt but there will be inspiration that will really count back home in the local meetings where these various departments actually function. Often those who labor at home in the local meetings on missionary, temperance, literature, Bible school or other committees are discouraged by the impression that but little is really being done, but at Yearly Meeting when the reports of all the meetings are compiled and the work looms in the aggregate, there comes an inspiration that makes the drudgery of detail at home for the

coming year assume a new significance. The whole departmental machinery of Oregon Yearly Meeting can be made to take on new life next year, if the leaders are on hand with wide-awake, comprehensive reports and we can get our people out to hear them.

Third, this will be a time of information. The indifference of many of our members towards the business sessions of our meetings is a common cause of complaint. May it not often be true that this indifference arises from a too-general ignorance of Quaker usages and the deeper significance of this phase of church activity. Too many of our people have but a meagre conception of the work really being accomplished by our church, and without a broader horizon than the local meeting we can but be local in our interests. Let us seek at least to have a horizon that does not dip this side of the farthest outpost of Oregon Yearly Meeting. But the educational influences will be sure to extend far beyond the borders of our own field, for we will have an interchange of workers and will listen to the messages in the form of epistles from other Yearly Meetings, thus getting an epitome of all Friends and their activities.

Last, but not least, we will recognize this as an occasion for recreation. Who can measure the worth of the friendly and social intercourse of those who will be privileged to attend? New acquaintances, a larger circle of friends, Newberg hospitality, Springbrook strawberries (let us hope), the rest on the campus, the stroll down the shaded streets—say, let's get the Yearly Meeting habit!

We would not imply that Yearly Meeting is only worth while because of what we get, but each of us can give something. If all of us can go determined to make the very largest contribution possible, the reflex blessing would take care of itself. If we would thoughtfully seek to be a definite blessing to the home where we are entertained, to the various sessions we attend, and to all we meet personally we would indeed find it well worth while.

The leaders of the Friends Church everywhere feel that we have reached a crisis in the history of our Society. Great issues are at stake. The past is gone; the future is yet to come; the momentous now is ours. It seems to be the focal point of all our history. Two hundred and seventy years of Quaker history compress their gathered weight of responsibility into this day to which we have come. May God mightily move on our hearts and minds to meet it with divine strength, courage and wisdom. May every one who reads these words feel a conviction that it is a duty they dare not shirk to be present at Oregon Yearly Meeting June 11 to 17, 1919. May there be some who will get a vision of the possibilities of service in our field

and who will dedicate their lives to God and, anointed with the Holy Ghost, go out to reap the ripened grain. Let us pray to this end.

ENTERTAINMENT

One of the "plums" of the Yearly Meeting from year to year, is that delightful position, chairman of the entertainment committee. As a rule Dr. Thomas W. Hester is successful in winning first place in the contest for this office, but by referring to last year's minutes we find that Walter Terrell displaced him at the last "election"! It's too bad, and our sympathy is extended to Dr. Hester. Hold on, tho! We've just discovered that by electing Dr. Hester secretary of the entertainment committee he will still have the burden to carry, under a new title, however, so this time our sympathy is genuine.

Having had just a taste of such a position we realize that the man who has to steer the frail bark of Creaturely Comfort through the rapids of Personal Dispositions and the breakers of Preconceived Ideas has some job on his hands. We know of no one in the Yearly Meeting, however, who is more competent to tackle the job than Dr. Hester, and we are thankful to him that once again he has offered himself a living sacrifice, which he apparently considers only his reasonable service. Those expecting to attend Yearly Meeting are therefore referred to him for arrangements as to their entertainment. His address is Dr. Thomas W. Hester, Newberg, Oregon.

It has been the custom, year after year, to offer free room and board to active pastors and their families, to delegates from Idaho, and to visiting ministers who come with a minute to Yearly Meeting, and this practice will be continued again this year. A nominal registration fee is however charged pastors and their wives and the Idaho delegates. This fee is \$1 a head. Other delegates and visitors to the Yearly Meeting are expected to pay from 25c to 50c a night for their rooms, according to location and conveniences, and to pay the regular charges for meals in the dining room.

A new department this year is the supplying of tents, for it is expected that the attendance will be so large that the efforts of the entertainment committee will hardly be able to supply rooms for all. Geo. B. Smith of Portland has kindly volunteered his services to set up and look after the tents so as to take this part of the work off the hands of the Newberg people. The Evangelistic Board of the Yearly Meeting has decided to supply free cots and free straw to all who will send in their reservations in advance, and rent the tents at less than the cost to them, as a special inducement for people to attend. Small tents, 8x10, will cost \$1.50 for the duration of Yearly

Meeting; 10x12 will cost \$2.00, and 12x14 will cost \$2.50. In every case the reservation for tents must be made in advance and word must also be sent as to the number of cots needed.

Those deciding to camp please write as soon as possible to Dr. Hester at Newberg, stating the size of tent desired and the number of cots needed. It will be impossible to secure tents or cots unless ordered in advance.

With reference to other requests for entertainment it is also very necessary that all who know that they are expecting to attend Yearly Meeting should at once send in their names to Dr. Hester, stating the kind of accommodation required. Late comers may possibly be squeezed in somewhere, even if it is found impracticable to notify in advance, but positively no tents or cots can be secured without reservation in advance.

Campers will of course bring their own bedding and other conveniences, and should any desire to do their own cooking they will have to be responsible for their own arrangements. If desired it will be possible to secure wood for cooking on a co-operative basis. The camp grounds are in the grove back of the church, right on the church property, and the accommodation is limited.

OREGON YEARLY MEETING 1919

It is always difficult to prophecy of coming events, yet there is a "sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees" and it is in the minds and hearts of many that the Lord is indeed going out before us to battle and it behooves us to bestir ourselves to go out with Him. Someway there is a feeling of expectancy, a sort of a premonition of coming blessings, a vision of coming tasks, a distant sound of battle, a challenge for courage and consecration in all the preparations for Oregon Yearly Meeting in this year of our Saviour and Redeemer one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

All over the world, if reports can be believed, there is a spiritual awakening in process, a sort of a "Special Meeting" held by the Holy Spirit, which is resulting in more conviction and calls to service than have been known for many a day; an additional sign many think of the very near approach of the coming of the bridegroom and the withdrawal of the Spirit. Shall we not, as Friends in Oregon Yearly Meeting, face our duty to God and the church with a greater seriousness than ever before? Shall we not this year, with a new purpose and a deeper meaning "Seek first the Kingdom of God" and lay aside our ordinary daily work and attend Yearly Meeting as both a definite religious duty and a valued privilege?

With this serious, sober, spiritual side of Yearly Meeting held up boldly to view the Evangelistic Board has sent for Rev.

Joseph H. Smith, the great Bible expositor to attend Yearly Meeting this year and give us the benefit of his matchless talents. To those who have ever heard him no introduction is necessary; it is practically a foregone conclusion that his presence at Yearly Meeting will mean also their presence if humanly possible to arrange it. He will conduct a "School of the Prophets," a definite course in Bible study and exposition at all the 8:00 a. m. sessions of the Yearly Meetings. He will also have at least a part in the other evangelistic meetings during the session, and although he is pre-eminently a teacher, those who have heard him hold evangelistic services say that he is a surprising success at that also. Mr. Smith is by membership a Methodist, but he has been for so many years at the service of any and all denominations and interdenominational camps and associations that he will be perfectly at home in a Quaker Yearly Meeting. It is confidently expected that Mr. Smith will be able to feed the souls of all those who come to Yearly Meeting this year anxious to go back home better equipped for service for the Master than they were when they came. His presence should prove a stimulus to us as a body to go forward valiantly and energetically for our King.

There are sure also to be other ministers and visiting Friends who will be a source of spiritual strength to us which will be well worth while. It is a little early yet to state who will be in attendance, but we learn that Walter C. Woodward, editor of the American Friend and General Secretary of the Five Years Meeting plans to be in attendance, and also Daniel W. Lawrence, principal of Friendswood Academy, Texas, and ex-governor of Earham College.

As regards the decisions that will face Oregon Yearly Meeting too much could not be said as to the seriousness and far-reaching effect of some of the decisions which are liable to have to be made at this time. We have no desire to anticipate events that possibly may not transpire, but we have no hesitation in urging, as a supreme duty at this time, the attendance at Yearly Meeting 1919 of all who truly love the Quaker Church.

WHO'S WHO AND WHY

While it is quite impossible to foretell who will be in attendance at Yearly Meeting from outside points, there are a few names of people who are likely to attend which merit a little special introduction, and there are also a few local "celebrities" who may not be known to those not in the habit of attending Yearly Meeting, but who are "breaking in" this year for the first time.

Joseph H. Smith. Possibly the figure attracting most attention this year will be Joseph H. Smith, whom the Evangelistic Board have invited to assist in the

evangelistic side of Yearly Meeting. In the parlance of the writer's younger days Mr. Smith would have been considered a "weighty Friend." He is of the solid, non-emotional type, reputed to be one of the greatest, if not the greatest living Bible teacher in the holiness ranks. Although a Methodist preacher, he has always "trained" with the Quakers, and before the death of David B. Updegraf, he was actively associated with him in evangelistic work. He is the Sunday School editor of the Christian Witness.

Walter C. Woodward. Distinctly an Oregon product is the editor of the American Friend of Richmond, Indiana, whose father, Ezra Woodward is the editor of the Newberg Graphic and a man influential in Quaker circles in Newberg. Walter Woodward is a graduate of Pacific College, and his editorials in the American Friend have attracted a great deal of favorable attention. As a newspaper and magazine writer, especially upon denominational subjects, Mr. Woodward has few equals. He is also the General Secretary of the Five Years Meeting.

Clarkson Hinshaw. It is not yet definitely known whether Clarkson Hinshaw of Kansas can be present at Y. M. or not, but there is at least a possibility. For about 10 years Mr. Hinshaw steered the ship in Kansas as General Superintendent of Kansas Yearly Meeting, and he is now engaged as pastor at Haviland, Kansas.

Daniel W. Lawrence is another expected visitor. He is the principal of Friendswood Academy, Friendswood, Texas. If we are rightly informed he is an elderly Friend, and was at one time governor of Earham College. He is an Earham graduate.

Fred E. Carter is by now well known to all who attended Yearly Meeting last year, or any public gathering of Friends recently. He is the pastor of Newberg Meeting, the entertaining church, for which reason his portrait appears on the front page. He is also chairman of the Evangelistic and Church Extension Board.

Levi T. Pennington is almost as well known in other Yearly Meetings as at home, which is saying much. He is clerk of the Yearly Meeting, president of Pacific College, and has a finger in practically every piece of pastry-making done by American Quakerdom. A truly "big" figure, mentally, physically, spiritually and socially. Some one has said of him, "He's the only man I've ever met personally who is really big enough to be President of the United States."

Homer L. Cox is fast becoming one of the most popular preachers in Western Quakerdom. His flock, at least, have refused to trade him for anything in sight for the past six years. They have (with his slight assistance) put at his disposal, all fully paid for, a brand new \$17,000

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We are glad to appear in our new dress. This time we are an "Uxtry!"

This is a friendly endeavor to accomplish a special task of benefit to all.

Young Friends, here's a challenge that calls for the best that's in you! Meet you at Y. M.!

What a jolly place that camp promises to be back among the shady trees in the church grove! Let's go!

That "School of the Prophets" smacks of Elijah's days. What a privilege to sit at the feet of this Gamaliel!

If the "Young Friends" of Tregon Yearly Meeting want to be a power for God in the Meeting, the first requisite is attendance.

Don't blame Bell Badley if you don't like this issue of our paper. Her only responsibility is a willingness to allow us to issue it.

Oregon Yearly Meeting for 1919 promises to be an epoch making event, its program offers attractions that are unusual and great decisions are in the making.

Have you ever given a thought to a Yearly Meeting held at Portland, Greenleaf or Salem? Some folk are likely to come to Y. M. this year with such a "bee in their bonnet." Think it over.

Some of our boys are "parley-vous Francais"ing around Newberg these days having returned from their reconstruction work in France. Won't it be fine to have a face to face chat with some of them about it?

What do you think about the American Friend? Some like it, some don't. Some admire the editor's writing, some criticize him freely. Some take the paper, some don't. Whoever or which ever you are, you can probably meet him face to face at Oregon Y. M.

No use talking, that little spot on the coast called Oretown that Mrs. Follett stirred us all up about a good many years ago has just simply become a part of our system; we can't help loving the work. A delegation is pretty sure to be on hands at Oregon Yearly Meeting to give us the "once over." How shall we impress them?

Do you know the name of the meeting in our midst that while part of a Monthly Meeting is not a Monthly Meeting, has a regularly called pastor, but no pastoral committee, has no official standing, yet appears in almost all the reports? Has a good live C. E. too? Come to Newberg June 11 to 17 and meet the pastor and his wife and family.

Did you know that a young couple came to Oregon Yearly Meeting last year ready to offer themselves for work, and that for the greater part of a year have been doing splendid work as pastors of one of our Monthly Meetings. By the way, did you ever stop to consider how far south Oregon Yearly Meeting has penetrated into Oregon and how much land there is yet to be possessed?

A WEEK OF PRAYER

In response to suggestions from several sources friends of Oregon Yearly Meeting are urgently asked to set aside the week preceding Yearly Meeting as a Special Week of Prayer. It would seem eminently suitable that this commence on Sunday, June 1, and continue up to and including Yearly Meeting.

Pray earnestly, fervently and without ceasing for the success of the evangelistic efforts made in His name at Yearly Meeting time, that it may be a time when sinners shall be saved, back-sliders reclaimed, believers sanctified and saints edified. Pray much for the clerk of the meeting that he may be given unusual power and anointing for his responsible and difficult position. Pray for the leaders of the departmental work of the Church that they may first obtain a clear vision of the relative importance of their department and that they may be especially anointed in their efforts to present the subject entrusted to them in a way that will press their work forward in clear and close harmony with God's will. Pray fervently that God will put it on the hearts of more people than ever to attend Yearly Meeting this year in the spirit of true service to Jesus. Let us all most fervently unite in the petition that if important far-reaching decisions are to be made at this session they may be only and entirely in harmony with God's will and plan for us, and that He will help us to be willing to do His will whatever it may be, and however much it may cost us.

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church in Portland which has ambitions of entertaining the Yearly Meeting in 1920.

William E. Allen is the youngest pastor in point of service in the Yearly Meeting. He served for eight years as pastor in Kansas, and when recouping some lost strength in Canada, he felt the call of the Lord to Oregon, and in such faith as staggers many who witnessed it, he moved his whole family here without having received a call. The good folk of Sherwood are fortunate enough to have secured his services. Be sure you make his acquaintance.

Got to stop somewhere! Don't you think this is a good place?

Bluntly, we don't really want pastors, after all. We think we do, we say we do, but we don't.—American Friend.

They are slaves who dare not speak
For the fallen and the weak.
They are slaves who will not choose
Hatred, scoffing, and abuse,
Rather than in silence shrink
From the truth they needs must think.
They are slaves who dare not be
In the right with two or three.

—Lowell.

An evangelistic superintendent writes:
"Offers house and good support—say \$700. The people are well housed on rich corn land valued as high as \$250 per acre. The membership seems united on an aggressive movement."

An aggressive movement on the good support of \$700 per year in the midst of \$250 corn land! God overcomes some desperate handicaps, but we doubt whether he could honor an aggressive movement on any such basis.—American Friend.

In a recent statement, Dr. William H. Foulkes, leader in the Presbyterian New Era Movement, said:

"The scandal of an unsupported ministry cannot be much longer tolerated by a self-respecting Protestant Church and the average salary of the average Presbyterian clergyman is less than half that of a well-paid day laborer. Men recently were striking in a big American city for three standards of wages. The second assistant helper was striking for a wage twice the average of the Presbyterian minister. There is a better way to remedy insufficiency than by continuing to starve the worker. The Church has tried that for fifty years—suppose she tries the other way and gives him larger livelihood and better equipment; she will find she has only increased her own power."